

DEATH BY DUEL

Galveston Shooting Affair Has Serious Ending.

Deadly Duel.

Galveston, Tex., June 28.—A fatal street duel occurred last evening about 8:30 o'clock in front of the Two Brothers saloon, northeast corner of Tremont and Market streets. Fifteen shots were fired and eight of them took effect in the bodies of the participants and in two innocent victims.

James Johnson, a well known young sporting man, was killed.

William Boyd was shot twice, breaking his right arm just below the elbow, and breaking his left leg below the knee.

George Levick, 55 years of age, a blacksmith in the employ of the government at the fortifications at Fort Point, was an innocent victim, and his wound is fatal. He was shot in the right side and the bullet penetrated the liver.

W. H. Goodman, engineer of the locomotive used by the United States engineers at Fort Point, was another innocent victim.

He was shot in the apex of the right lung. His wound is not considered mortal by the surgeons.

William Boyd and James Johnson are charged as the principals, and Jack Nave is charged with having been implicated in the death of Johnson.

The story of the tragedy in brief is that Johnson and Boyd came out of the saloon at separate doors and, facing each other, pulled their six-shooters and began firing.

A third party was seen to step out of the saloon and fire two or three shots in the direction of Johnson.

When the smoke had cleared four victims were lying on the ground and the guns of the two principals were empty.

Stuck to His Story.

Athens, Tex., June 28.—Chronicled in columns of cold black and white, the developments of the second day of the preliminary hearing of the men who are alleged to have taken the lives of James Humphreys and his sons may not seem tinged with sensationalism.

In the dingy old room in Henderson county, however, there was yesterday presented the second act of an intensely realistic play.

The bar was the stage; shrewd lawyers, cautious witnesses and anxious prisoners were the actors, and a few feet away, filling every nook and cranny, was a sensation-hungry audience. The day began with the resumption of the cross-examination of John Greenhaw, interrupted by adjournment the evening before.

For hours an almost ceaseless stream of interrogatories were poured into his ears. He stuck to his story. At no time or by any means could he be induced to change it.

Polk Weeks was recalled and related a few more occurrences at the hangings.

Jake Bennett testified to loaning a saddle to Weeks and George Henson.

Rev. Mr. Jackson and Jasper Henshaw also testified.

Galveston Storm.

Galveston, Tex., June 28.—The wind and rain storm which began Monday night reached its height between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday morning, the wind attaining a velocity of forty miles an hour. No damage was done on the island except that the gulf cut into the shore in places as much as seventy feet.

The schooner Dave Freeman, en route to Galveston with a load of red snapper, stood off shore during the storm, and early yesterday was beached about six miles below the city.

Conductors' Picnic.

Mineral Wells, Tex., June 28.—Fully 3700 persons were present yesterday on the occasion of the picnic at Mineral Wells given under the auspices of Evergreen division No. 57 of Fort Worth, and Red River division No. 292 of Cleburne, Order of Railway Conductors.

A train made up of fourteen cars left Fort Worth, while twenty-four carloads of pleasure-seekers passed through from Cleburne.

The crowd was augmented at each station, fully 500 people joining the excursion at Weatherford.

Hon. J. W. Bailey spoke.

Maj. Wm. W. Gray, surgeon, United States army, now on duty at Fort Huachuca, Arizona Territory, will proceed to Fort Logan, Colo., and report to the commanding officer, twenty-fifth United States infantry, for duty, to accompany that regiment to Manila, P. I.

Two Confess.

Athens, Tex., June 27.—The preliminary hearing of the ten men charged with the lynching of the Humphreys commenced here yesterday with a tremendous attendance. The widows and children of the victims were present.

Assistant Attorney General Morris, District Attorney Crook, County Attorney Faulk and Guy Green, prosecutor, while Faulk & Faulk of Athens, J. S. Woods and M. H. Gossett of Kaufman and Starr & Allison of Athens defend.

Polk Weeks was placed on the stand. In substance he said a plan was agreed on to lynch the Humphreys; that Joe Wilkinson approached him in regard to the matter.

"The persons who were in the party," he said, "were Joe and Walter Wilkinson, Mr. Brooks, John Greenhaw, Arthur Greenhaw, Mr. Johns, Mr. Gaddis, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Mahan, Mr. Sam Hall and myself."

After telling of the Humphreys being taken out, he proceeded:

"Joe Wilkinson tied a rope around the neck of one of the Humphreys. Then they said something to the Humphreys about stealing Joe Wilkinson's horse, and he was cursing them for stealing the horse, and they denied that they had done it. Then he talked about the killing of Berryman, and then he said: 'You are harboring Patterson to kill some of the rest of us.'"

"The Humphreys said they were not doing it; that they wanted him caught just as bad as anybody."

"Wilkinson said he knew better. 'He has been sneaking around my house and trying to kill me.'"

"The Humphreys denied that. Then we carried them on down the road a piece and stopped and sent a man out to hunt a tree. He soon found a tree and we carried them down there. We talked around for a while trying to get them to tell where Patterson was. We told them to tell us or we would hang them. They said they did not know where he was."

"Finally we got them on horses and took them under the tree. They asked me to climb up the tree and tie the rope, and I refused. Then they asked Mr. Brooks and he refused. Finally they asked me again and I climbed the tree and tied the ropes up there. They pitched the ropes up to me and I tied them. Then I climbed down and they parleyed again about Patterson, and the Humphreys again claimed they did not know where he was. Finally they hit the horses and made them run out from under the men."

"Who did that?"

"I saw one man."

"Who was he?"

"Joe Wilkinson. He hit one of the horses. I did not see the other. One of the Humphreys slipped down until his feet were on the ground. I got back up the tree and they raised him up and I tied the rope up shorter and then the hand of one of them came untied, and they tied them together again."

"Who was it that tied the hands back?"

"I think it was Mr. Johns. I am not certain about that. They just let the Humphreys hang there until they died."

"How about their feet being tied up?"

"Well, the feet of one of them was tied up that I know of. That is, he said he did. Then we got on our horses and left. We rode north as well as I could tell. This was only a short time after the men were dead."

John Greenhaw followed and corroborated in the main Weeks' testimony.

Pension Day.

Dallas, Tex., June 27.—Yesterday was pension day, the first one under the present law granting pensions to ex-Confederates who may come within the provision of the law.

Quite a number of the old veterans and a few widows of veterans were present, putting in their claims to Judge Kenneth Force, who was filling out the blanks and administering the oath to applicants and hearing the evidence of those who had their witnesses with them in substantiation of the fact that they had served in the Confederate army.

Partly Washed Away.

Hillboro, Tex., June 27.—A report reached here yesterday that the To-wash flour mill was partly washed away by a big rise in the Brazos Saturday night. The turbine wheels and brick basement were washed away and carried down stream. The mill is the property of Capt. B. M. Boyd. The loss will be felt by farmers within a radius of thirty miles, as it will take some time to repair the mill.

Wife Killed.

Dallas, Tex., June 27.—Last night about 7:30 o'clock Annie Linton, a colored woman, was shot and killed on a vacant lot just behind the second ward engine house, not a great distance from where the Garrett woman was shot and killed Saturday night.

The husband of the woman, Oscar Linton, surrendered to Officer Sterling Price and was locked up in one of the cells in the city hall tomorrow, charged with the killing.

Quintuple Drowning.

Lampasas, Tex., June 26.—Particulars of the quintuple drowning near here are as follows:

Thursday evening Mrs. J. H. Lloyd, her five daughters, Misses Bertie Lloyd, 22 years; Belle Lloyd 20; Ethel Lloyd, 14; Esther Lloyd, 11; Jewel Lloyd, 8, and her niece, Miss Myrtle Childers, 14, went over to Pitt creek, a distance of three miles from their homes, to spend the day in fishing.

In the evening Mrs. Lloyd gave her young daughters permission to go wading. Shortly after the girls had gone down the creek, the mother and Misses Bertie and Belle, who were all up the creek some 150 yards from the place of drowning, heard screams for help.

Miss Bertie, noticing the screams first, ran to their assistance, passing her mother and sister, plunged into the water only to share the fate of her three sisters and cousin.

Then came the second sister, who also plunged into the water to the assistance of her drowning sisters, but on arrival of the mother, who fully recognized the situation she immediately secured a stick, handing it to Miss Belle, and by a great deal of exertion, rescued her, but not until after she was strangled into unconsciousness.

The mother then ran screaming to the buggy, causing the horses to break loose, but with some difficulty secured him and went for her husband and sons, who were thrashing four miles away from the scene.

In an hour and twenty minutes the dead bodies had been taken from the water by Mr. Lloyd, father and uncle of the young ladies.

The bodies were all found within a space of six feet.

The supposition is that the creek had washed out in deep holes of water from recent rains and the girls knew nothing of it, and that Miss Ethel waded into deep water, as she was entirely out of sight when the mother and elder sister reached the scene, and the other young ladies going to the assistance only to share a similar fate.

The young ladies were all buried in one grave, twenty feet wide, with separate vaults. Mrs. Lloyd is in a precarious condition.

Probable Cattle Syndicate.

Austin, Tex., June 26.—Hon. M. L. Grogan of Sweetwater, Tex., representative in the twenty-sixth legislature from that district is here.

He is authority for the statement that an English syndicate, with a capital of \$100,000,000, has started in to purchase all of the cattle in Texas, with a view of cornering the cattle market of this country.

He says in the panhandle and western part of the state the options have been secured on thousands of head of cattle and ranch properties wherever they are obtainable.

The options include cattle of all classes, and by buying the ranches it is evident, he says, that the syndicate intends to make their investments a permanent one in their nature.

It is estimated that the total number of cattle in Texas is about 6,000,000 head, and their assessed valuation this year will aggregate \$50,000,000.

Mr. Grogan came here direct from the panhandle, where these options are said to have been secured.

He says the syndicate maintains its headquarters at Fort Worth.

While drawing a load of corn to Guthrie, O. T., H. Martin was killed by lightning. William Rice, sitting by him, was unhurt.

Awful Fate.

McKinney, Tex., June 26.—Electrician Sam Morton of the McKinney Electric Light company, met an instantaneous and frightful death here at 6:25 Saturday evening in full view of the main business portion of the town. In the discharge of his duties he ascended a pole at the southwest corner of the public square to effect a connection to the main day current wire, when his hands came in contact with a "live" wire. Instantly a current 1100 volts strong shot through his body.

Vina Walker Dead.

San Antonio, Tex., June 26.—Vina Walker, a colored woman, living at 109 Ord street, was found in bed at noon yesterday in the throes of death. Her 12-year-old daughter was leaning over her endeavoring to calm her. The woman had bitten the child in the hand, and was endeavoring to bite herself. She died a few minutes after the physicians arrived. The cause of her death has not yet been established.

Sixteen Years After.

Paris, Tex., June 26.—Sheriff Fulgham of Huntsville, Ala., came here to get a colored man who was arrested by local officers for murder.

Policeman Reuben Street was killed in raiding a colored house in Huntsville sixteen years ago and one colored man was tried and hanged for the crime. Another man made his escape and was located here. Extradition papers have been asked for.

Mrs. Cliff Mitchell was painfully bitten by a copperhead snake at Paden.

Five Young Ladies Drown.

Lampasas, Tex., June 24.—A most horrible accident, in which five young ladies were drowned, occurred late Thursday evening in the McCrea neighborhood, ten miles from this place.

The wife and five daughters of J. H. Lloyd and daughter of Mr. Joe Childers, two of the most prosperous and highly respected citizens of this county, went over to Pitt creek, a distance of three miles from their home, to spend the day in fishing.

While over there four of the Misses Lloyd and Miss Childers, whose ages range from 8 to 24 years of age, were drowned.

Mrs. Lloyd and the remaining daughter are so prostrated that nothing definite can be ascertained.

Sons and Daughters of Confederacy.

Greenville, Tex., June 24.—A camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans has been organized here, officers as follows: Howard Parker, commander; B. M. Hagan, first lieutenant; Marion Cameron, second lieutenant; George B. Adams, adjutant; Joe McConnell, quartermaster; Dr. M. L. Moody, surgeon; and Horace McMurtry, color sergeant.

A chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy was also organized with Mrs. T. J. Gee, president; Mrs. R. K. Lane, first vice president; Mrs. L. W. Harkey, second vice president; Miss Nita Watson, secretary; Miss Lorena Eitter, treasurer; Miss Pearl Arnold, historian. The ladies asked until the next meeting to select a name for the chapter.

Forgot His Bride.

Dallas, Tex., June 24.—On June 1 Mr. W. E. Bilheimer, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., led to the altar Miss Lula Lee Maddox of Fort Worth. They have been spending a part of their honeymoon visiting his folks in Little Rock, returning to Dallas yesterday and received many congratulations. At the business men's gymnasium class yesterday afternoon the members of the association celebrated the occasion by presenting Mr. Bilheimer with a beautiful cut glass water set. Judge Anson Rainey, president of the association, made the presentation address. It so completely upset Mr. Bilheimer that he forgot to call at the association parlor for his bride as he left the building going to supper.

Fatal Accident.

Denison, Tex., June 24.—A most extraordinary accident happened Thursday evening, as a result of which Nettie Brown, colored, is suffering from a very painful gunshot wound in the right thigh.

Frank Brown lives on the corner of Johnson street and Tenth avenue, just a block north of the point where the body of Ep Reeves was found. Thursday afternoon while no one was at home but his wife, Nettie Brown, an old muzzle loading shotgun fell from a place where it was hanging over the south window, the charge of buckshot in it penetrating the baseboard of the house, through the outer boxing and six of the shot penetrated the fleshy portion of the right thigh of Nettie Brown, who was standing about ten feet from the house in a little path leading from the gate on Johnson street to the front of the house.

Horse and Buggy Found.

Lovelady, Tex., June 24.—Ara Speer, a farmer living four miles from here, reports that his children found in the woods near his house a horse and buggy, with the harness and all complete. A stranger was seen to pass in the neighborhood last Sunday evening driving in a single buggy. The constable here has taken charge of the buggy.

Jail Overcrowded.

Tyler, Tex., June 24.—There are five inmates of the Smith county jail who have been adjudged insane, and applications for their admittance to the asylum have been made. There is no room in the asylum for them on account of the crowded condition of same. Sheriff Robinson has some of his deputies exercise the unfortunates by walking them in the outskirts of town in the mornings and evenings daily.

Beit Back.

Hillboro, Tex., June 24.—Sheriff Bell returned Thursday night from Tolosa, Kaufman county, with Sam Hall and jailed him. Hall is charged with being a party to the Humphreys lynching. Mr. Bell left here hurriedly Wednesday morning with Asst. Attorney General Morris. At Corsicana he procured a team and buggy and drove over into Kaufman county and arrested Hall. A few miles further in Henderson county he met some Henderson county officials and Pops Weeks was arrested.

Gored to Death.

Crowell, Tex., June 24.—Charley Pigg, a young man about 22 years old, who lived in the eastern part of this county, was cleaning ticks from cattle preparing them for inspection. He was in the pasture working alone and roped a large bull, threw him down and applied the necessary remedies, but during the process of roping the animal he was gored in the breast, the horn penetrating the lungs. He managed to get home, a distance of one and a half miles. Physicians both from Crowell and Vernon visited him, but death followed in a few hours.

DIXIE DOINGS.

It is estimated that it costs \$20 a foot to keep up the levees on the Mississippi, particularly the lower ones.

Gov. Bradley of Kentucky has offered a reward for the arrest and conviction of the slayer of Tom Baker.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Arkansas State Teachers' association convened at Newport with about 250 in attendance.

The plant of the Birmingham, Ala., Machine and Foundry company was destroyed by fire. Work on hand amounting to \$100,000 was damaged, and \$200,000 was the value of the buildings.

Mrs. Thomas B. Martin, wife of Chancellor Martin of the Pulaski county (Ark.) chancery court, was thrown out of a carriage in a runaway at Little Rock and killed. Chancellor Martin, who was driving, was seriously hurt.

W. W. Foster, aged 22 years, under bond at Hernando, Miss., indicted as an accomplice in the shooting of four deputy sheriffs, three of whom were killed, died at Pine Bluff, Ark., where he and his family had removed.

Judge Williams at Little Rock, Ark., appointed M. D. McCabe of Little Rock and N. K. Y. Wilson of Mobile, Ala., as co-receivers in the case of Joachim A. Manoria vs. Fidelity Trust and Loan company of Mobile, Ala.

The following verdict was rendered by the coroner's jury in the case of Daniel Patrick, colored, lynched at Scranton, Miss., for an assault upon Miss Beattie Ireland: "We, the jury, find that deceased came to his death by climbing a tree, venturing too far out and breaking his neck."

Thomas J. Semmes, one of the South's leading attorneys, died suddenly at New Orleans, aged 75 years. Mr. Semmes was a member of the Confederate senate, and a member of the committee of five that replied to the charges of President Davis when the latter charged the failure of the Confederacy to the southern congress. He was a cousin of the late Admiral Semmes of Mobile, Ala., the commander of the Alabama.

Created a Disturbance.

Cienfuegos, Cuba, June 26.—Three American officers, who had been creating a disturbance in a house of ill repute and had resisted arrest, entered a carriage and began firing their revolvers, wounding a policeman. The policeman returned and joined by a mob, pursued the carriage to the railway station, where American pickets were guarding the wagons and a safe containing money. The troops, mostly recruited, seeing that the officers were in danger, entrenched themselves behind the wagons and began shooting, wounding two policemen and three civilians. A wealthy planter, who was passing in a carriage with his children, was struck by a Kraz-Jorgensen, receiving serious injury.

Senor Frías, the mayor, the Cuban general, Esquerro and Maj. Bowman, commanding the Americans, rode through the crowd, begging the people to restrain themselves and ordering the troops to stop. Their attempts were finally successful. The corporal in charge of the pickets says he did not give an order to fire, but people who were near insist that they heard him give such a command. Indignation runs high, but there is no fear of further trouble. The offending officers have been locked up.

Arthur Greenhaw was arrested at Corsicana charged with complicity in the Humphreys lynching.

Fugitive Dies.

Chicago, Ill., June 26.—"Dutch" Neal, the St. Louis puglist, who fell unconscious in the ring last Wednesday night in the sixth round of a glove contest with Harry Peppers, the California middleweight, died here without having regained consciousness. Neal's death is attributed to a blood clot on the brain, resulting from over exertion, while in an unfit physical condition. Peppers was arrested as soon as it became apparent that Neal's condition was serious and is now in jail in default of \$2000 bond.

Girls Strike.

Richmond, Va., June 26.—While the strike of 1000 girls employed at the Whitlock branch of the American Tobacco company is still on, the chances seem to be that at least half of them will return to work. A committee of miners has interested itself in the matter and is endeavoring to bring about a settlement. The girls have appointed a committee to make a canvass and perfect an organization.

Two Launched.

Newport News, Va., June 26.—Several thousand people saw the launching at the yard of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company Saturday of two more new vessels of the Morgan line, the tug Amigo and the big freighter El Rio. Miss Myrian L. Post was the sponsor for the El Rio. The El Amigo was christened by Miss Minnie Rowbottom, daughter of James P. Rowbottom, superintendent of the machine department.

Roosevelt and His Riders.

Las Vegas, N. M., June 26.—Roosevelt's rough riders' day opened auspiciously Saturday, the clouds having been dissipated over night. Business men and residents whose decorations were damaged by the heavy rainfall Friday night were busy engaged early in the day restoring brightness and color to the scene. The bright sunshine quickly dried up the mud and by 9 o'clock in the morning the streets were in good condition. The wash-out Friday night on the Santa Fe, near Blackwell, six miles south of Las Vegas, was quite extensive, half a mile of track having been destroyed, and railroad people were in doubt as to the time when the road would be passable. They made heroic efforts to replace the track destroyed.

An excursion train from Trinidad, Col., arrived here at noon, consisting of eight coaches heavily laden with people. The two regular trains from the north and east were also heavily loaded with excursionists, each being furnished with more than double its equipment. The combined committee of rough riders and citizens of New York left here at 7:30 to meet Gov. Roosevelt at some point on the road. It was the original intention to leave here at 4 a. m., and meet him at Raton, but as the trains from the west were materially delayed the two coaches containing the committees were attached to a fast train.

The business meeting of the Rough Riders' Regimental association was opened with an address of welcome on behalf of the citizens of Las Vegas by A. A. Jones, a prominent attorney of this place. Col. Roosevelt responded, his remarks at time being enthusiastically applauded.

Memorial services were held yesterday and spirited addresses delivered. Gov. Roosevelt was presented with a gold medal by citizens of New Mexico and made an appropriate response. He promised to do all he could toward making New Mexico a state.

A Twister.

Bradley, Neb., June 26.—A twister struck this village and partly wrecked it. The storm, which came from the north, first wrecked the two-story brick block owned by Charles Nash of New York, occupied by a drug store and a general merchandise store, entailing a loss of \$10,000. The postoffice was totally wrecked, Corlies' general store unroofed, the residence of David Mangus badly damaged and numerous barns and outbuildings demolished. The ground was plowed up by the wind and some stock killed. One man was seriously hurt.

Burned in Jail.

Brunswick, Ga., June 26.—An unknown negro was burned to death in Everett City jail about 3 o'clock Saturday, and the sheriff and county officers are after the men who are believed to be the ones who set fire to the building. The negro was placed in jail for stealing a ride from Jacksonville on a Florida Central and Peninsular train. He would not give his name. A few hours previous to the burning several prisoners escaped from the jail and it is believed that the men returned and set fire to the structure.

Fatally Shot.

Chicago, June 26.—Jessie Porter, a chambermaid at the Palmer house, was shot and fatally wounded last night by a man supposed to be Wm. G. Prentiss, who killed himself. The shooting occurred in the courtyard of the Palmer house.

Roget to be Removed.

Paris, June 26.—It has finally been decided to remove Gen. Roget from Paris and appoint him to command a brigade of infantry at Belfort. Gen. Roget was in command of the troops which MM. de Roulede and Marcel Habert, members of the chamber of deputies, tried to lead from their barracks to the Elysee palace during the troubles which followed the election of President Loubet. It was announced on June 5 that the ministry had decided to transfer the general from Paris to Orleans.

Large Blaze.

Laurel, Del., June 26.—The most disastrous fire that has ever occurred in this town started Saturday in a billiard room near the Laurel house and consumed seventy-eight buildings, including the two hotels, the bank building, the postoffice, two drug stores, nearly all the business houses and homes of the most wealthy residents of the place. A colored man employed at the Canon house is reported missing. The loss is estimated at \$200,000, insurance carried \$20,000.

Three Killed.

Norfolk, Va., June 26.—The Norfolk and Southern passenger train, when within one mile of Elizabeth City, N. C., Saturday afternoon, dashed into a buggy in which three boys were seated, killing all three, as well as the horses and demolishing the buggy. The victims of the tragedy were Henry and William Mann, aged respectively 14 and 10 years, sons of William Mann, and Charles Baker, aged 14, son of Richard Baker.